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Sir:

This is a Request for filing a  $\square$  continuation  $\boxtimes$  divisional  $\square$  continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 09/125,452 filed on August 19, 1998, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference, by

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for

NON-AQUEOUS ELECTROLYTE SECONDARY BATTERY

- 1.  $\boxtimes$  Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).
- 2.  $\square$  The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

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  Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
- 5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:

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6.	$\boxtimes$	Enclosed is/are $\underline{\text{two}}$ ( $\underline{2}$ ) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.
7a.		A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/125,452 on See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
7b.		The current application qualifies for small entity status.
8.	$\boxtimes$	The prior application is assigned to <a href="Kao Corporation">Kao Corporation</a> .
9.		A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
10a.		Priority of Application No(s) filed in on is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on
10b.		Priority of International Appln filed on under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Application No filed in on under 35 U.S.C. § 119 are hereby reclaimed.
11.		An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
12.	$\boxtimes$	Address all future communications to:
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		Customer No. 2292
13.		An extension of time for() month(s) until has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/125,452 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
14.		Also enclosed herewith is the following:



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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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